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TO AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD

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E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: SMITHSONIAN/SFCP: RESEARCH PROPOSAL;  
"INVESTIGATIONS INTO THE ORIGINS OF INDUS CIVILIZATION",  
DR. GREGORY POSSEHL, PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR.

REFERENCE: A) ISLAMABAD 5642, B) ISLAMABAD 6053

1. REFTEL (A) REPORTED PAKISTAN GOVERNMENT CLEARANCES THAT IN EMBASSY OPINION, WHICH APPEARED WHOLLY REASONABLE, CONSTITUTED "FULL GOP APPROVAL" FOR ABOVE PROJECT. THAT APPROVAL WAS BASED ON PROJECT WITH "OLD" BUDGET, BUT NEW BUDGET DOES NOT SEEM TO HAVE CAUSED ANY PROBLEMS.

2. REFTEL (B) REPORTED, HOWEVER, THAT THIS PROJECT HAS NOT RECEIVED LICENSE TO EXCAVATE AT RAHMAN DHERI(WHICH IS SITE APPROVED BY SMI/SFCP.

3. IN LETTER OF MAY 27, 1975, WE INFORMED POSSEHL, THAT IN VIEW OF SMI'S CURRENT SHORTAGE OF NEW FUNDS AND IN FAIRNESS TO OTHER PROJECTS THAT ARE NOW READY TO START, SMI WOULD HAVE TO FREE THE FUNDS BEING HELD FOR HIS PROJECT  
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UNLESSSMI HAD BEEN INFORMED OF THE NECESSARY PAKISTAN GOVERNMENT APPROVAL BY AUGUST 1, 1975.

4. SMI HAS JULY 8 WRITTEN TO POSSEHL STATING THAT LACK

OF LICENSE UNFORTUNATELY PUTS US BACK INTO SITUATION  
DESCRIBED IN LETTER OF MAY 27, AND THAT SMI WILL HAVE TO  
CANCEL FUNDS UNLESS EMBASSY HAS INFORMED US BY AUGUST 1,  
1975, THAT POSSEHL HAS FULL CLEARANCE TO START WORK.

5. ABOVE IS FOR EMBASSY INFORMATION AND SUCH USE AS IT  
DEEMS DESIRABLE. INGERSOLL

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